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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) FY 2006 (Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).)		Docket Number (Optional) 0171-1068P	
Application Number 10/797,037-Conf. #4654		Filed March 11, 2004	
For METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PRODUCING HYDROPHOBIC SILICA FINE POWDER			
Art Unit 1764		Examiner K. V. Handal	

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):

	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee</u>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$120	\$60	\$ 120.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$450	\$225	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$1020	\$510	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	\$1590	\$795	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$2160	\$1080	\$ _____

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

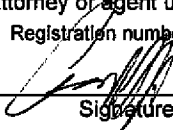
☐ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

☒ The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.

☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 02-2448. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

I am the ☐ applicant/inventor.
☐ assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.
 Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).
☒ attorney or agent of record. Registration Number 32,868
☐ attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34.
 Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34 _____



 Signature
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 Typed or printed name

July 5, 2007
 Date
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NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.

☐ Total of 1 forms are submitted.

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being transmitted via the Office electronic filing system in accordance with § 1.6(a)(4).

Dated: July 5, 2007

Signature: Frederick R. Handren (Frederick R. Handren)